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MEDIA ADVISORY

Caltrans Reopens Linden and Iowa Bridges Over Interstate 215 Near UC Riverside

Communities reconnected following 18-month bridge construction

WHO; Caltrans newly appointed District Director Mike Perovich, will be the keynote speaker for the Linden/Iowa bridge ribbon cutting ceremony. He will be joined by Senator Robert Dutton, Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley, Riverside Mayor Ronald Loveridge and other elected officials to share in the celebration.

WHAT: Reopening of Linden St. and Iowa Ave. bridges over the State Route 60/Interstate 215 Freeway

WHERE: Corner of Linden St. and Iowa Ave. near the University Village at UC Riverside

WHEN: Wednesday, October 12, noon

WHY: To reconnect the business communities and neighborhoods and provide an improved bridge system for the next 40 plus years. These bridges have been closed for the past 18 months. This is part of the \$317 million 60/91/215 Freeway Improvement Project.

PHOTO OPS: Photo ops include Caltrans Cone Kid with Highland elementary school participants who will be first to cross the new bridge. The program will include the March Air Reserve Honor Guard and the John North High School Chamber Singers. Traffic reporter "Commander" Chuck Street will join elected officials at the ribbon cutting under a multicolored balloon archway.

For project updates, call Caltrans directly at 1-866-60-91-215, or view the Web site at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/6091215/schedule.htm>

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